

# EVERY MEMBER IN MINISTRY



## Missions & Ministries

HIGHLAND VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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### GIFTS

#### DELTA MISSION PROJECT BACKPACK MINISTRY

...by the Third-Agers

#### BUDGET

In memory of **Dennis Bridges**

...by Lorna Kuno

...by Patsie Johnson

In memory of **Jack Carter**

...by Wayne & Ruby Russell

...by Tommy & Bettie Gray

...by Wadene Hilliard

...by George & Gwen Mobbs

In honor of **Paul Carter Malone's**  
Baptism

...by Carter & Jana Malone

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*Jack Scott*

13005 Vimy Ridge Road

Alexander 72002

Phone: 455-2404

*Paul Schaffner*

2211 Live Oaks Drive

Little Rock 72223

Phone: 821-3664

### CONGRATULATIONS

*Heather & Dennis Byrd*

Married January 20, 2007

at Highland Valley UMC

### IHN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NEXT WEEK!

Highland Valley will host the Interfaith Hospitality Network families from **January 28 through February 3**. Volunteer opportunities are available to provide a meal or overnight assistance at the church. Contact Brock Patterson at the church office to volunteer your service.

### MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

- We have **paint and supplies** to paint the hallway behind the sanctuary and the reception area of the church office. If you are willing to paint, please call the church office.
- **Kids Club/Youth Club** began again January 21. Martha Sims had her baby January 16 and will now be on maternity leave. Volunteers are still needed to help with this program during Martha's absence. Please sign up to help on the sheets posted on the triangle kiosk in the gym.

### WHAT I LIKE ABOUT YOUTH CLUB

...Michael Griffin

In Youth Club my favorite thing was the Mystery Trip, because we went to Chili's and then we went bowling. Boys vs. Girls...Boys won!!! We also had special speaking parts for our plays. We also got to do a water balloon fight! Finally we got to do a water gun fight!!! That is what I like about Youth Club.



### PASTOR'S PEN

...Kurt Boggan

In reading Isaiah 11:1-10 the hopes of "the Peaceable Kingdom" always come up for a reality check. I have on my desk a replica of that peaceable kingdom with a lion and lamb resting together. Woody Allen once quipped with his predictable New York cynicism, "It may be that one day the lion shall lie down with the lamb—but the lamb won't get much sleep."

Scripture is full of paradox, mystery, and surprises. The expectant peace Isaiah promises is difficult to imagine—yet much prayed and hoped for. I suspect we are all more like the lamb than otherwise. It's hard to envision a world where a little child leads wolves who no longer hunt, leopards who give up their predatory instincts, and lions who lie down with vulnerable and defenseless little lambs and become vegetarians. And yet, we occasionally see rays of such paradoxical hope and peace breaking through our darkened world.

In September 1993, after a failed attempt to climb K2, American mountaineer Greg Mortensen wandered lost and emaciated into the tiny village of Korphe, Pakistan, and both his life and the lives of children in northern Pakistan changed forever. So grateful was he for the care he received from the poor villagers, Mortensen vowed to return and build them a school. It was quite a promise for a homeless "climbing bum" who was living out of a car. Today Mortensen is director of the Central Asia Institute, which has built 55 schools in the poorest regions of Afghanistan and Pakistan, fighting the roots of terrorism—poverty and ignorance—one school at a time.

And here's another spiritual paradox: sometimes getting lost means finding our true selves and true peace. "Lord make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. For it is in giving that we receive, and in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen." (edited version of "The Prayer of St. Francis")

### WHAT I LIKE ABOUT KIDS CLUB

...Samuel Griffin

My favorite part was singing with Ms. Rebecca. My favorite song was Deo Jubilate. We learned how to celebrate Christmas in different countries. I like making crafts. One time I made an ornament.

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHURCH OFFICE VOLUNTEER? BETTER HURRY --- ONLY 6 SPOTS LEFT!!

You may have heard by now that several of the church offices have been switched around to make better use of our current facility space – In fact, everyone's office was relocated except for Kurt and Herrn! With the new arrangement, **we need 10 volunteers** to staff the **Receptionist Desk** in the front office for either a morning shift (**9am-12:30pm**) or an afternoon shift (**12:30pm-4pm**), once a week.

This is a terrific way to get to know the staff a little better and to be in the know of "what's happening at Highland!" The primary job is to cover the front desk and answer the phone (...very easy, say hello and push one button to transfer); but if you like, you might also help with mailings, make copies, sort the mail, organize music, or file . . . whatever you feel comfortable doing. There's plenty to keep you busy if you like!

Please consider if this might be a way you can serve your church, and then contact Dianne or Beverly in the church office as soon as possible to claim your spot!

### THE AFTER FOLKS

...Herrn Northcutt

Just call Stephen Ministers the "after" people. *After* you find the pink slip in what's now your final paycheck, *after* the doctors have said there's nothing more they can do, *after* the relationship ends but the wounds are still bleeding, *after* family and friends have heard your story one too many times but you still need to talk—that's when the Stephen Ministers step in.

A free and confidential ministry of Highland Valley, Stephen Ministry takes folks in participating churches—and the community at large—who are struggling with a special need and pairs them with lay persons who have been trained as Stephen Ministers to offer them not advice or counsel, but Christian support and care.

A Stephen Minister is somebody that's going to walk along with you. They're going to be with you the whole way. If you want to talk with them, you can. If you just want to sit there and cry, that's fine. If you want prayer, they'll pray, but they're not going to come and hit you over the head with a Bible.

Named after St. Stephen, the first lay person commissioned by the Apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need, Stephen Ministry began in 1975 with nine lay persons who were trained to be Stephen Ministers. Today, an estimated 9000 congregations are enrolled in this ministry.

The ministry works like this: Members of our congregation attend a training course, and in turn, these trained leaders return to set up and administer the program by recruiting lay people to serve as Stephen Ministers. They are provided 50 hours of training in Christian care giving. After training they are linked with a care-receiver—a person in need of Christian care. Stephen Ministers are assigned to only one care receiver at a time and meet with the care-receiver about an hour each week. They also meet twice monthly for peer supervision and continuing education. Stephen Ministry is an extension of our ministry that can provide more one-on-one support than the clergy staff can.

If you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, or if you need the support of a Stephen Minister, please call me at the church office.

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

#### Acolytes:

Kirk Hutchins, Sara Doan

#### Children's Church:

Susan, Ashley & Nicole Rose

#### Rockers & Huggers:

(9:40) Ashley Atkins

(10:45) Felicia Clark

#### Fellowship Time Hosts:

Searchers Class

#### Coffee Steward:

ShawnD' Patterson

#### Van Driver:

Scott Grimes (223-5370)

#### Head Ushers:

Hot Woodworth/Perry Bolding

#### January Ushers:

Paul Dixon, Butch Burnett,  
John Watkins, Werner Schneider

## OPPORTUNITIES

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

8:30am Worship Service  
9:00am Fellowship Time  
9:00am Fellowship (Telephone) Class  
9:30am Sunday School Classes  
9:40am Casual Worship Service  
10:45am Worship Service  
4:00pm Confirmation Class  
4:00pm Youth Band Practice  
5:00pm Kids Club/Youth Club  
5:00pm UMYF  
5:00pm Big Stories of the Bible  
5:00pm Awakening Practice  
6:30pm Youth Choir

### MONDAY, JANUARY 29

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

9:30am Moms-In-Touch Prayer Group  
10:00am Staff Meeting  
6:30pm Boy Scout Troop 335

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

1:00pm UMW Executive Board  
Planning Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

10:00am Pastor's Bible Study  
5:00pm **WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
DINNER**  
6:00pm Men's Bible Study  
6:00pm Revelation Bible Study  
6:00pm Higher Ground Bible Study  
6:00pm Art Class (Ages 7-13)  
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
6:30pm Mom-to-Mom Group  
7:00pm Youth—Open Gym/Basketball  
7:15pm Art Class (Ages 13 & up)

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

4:00pm Church Newsletter Deadline  
6:00pm Parents of Teens Support  
Group  
7:00pm HV Heat vs. Geyer Springs\*

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

#### HOST IHN FAMILIES

8:30am Art Class (Ages 13 & up)  
10:30am Art Class (Ages 13 & up)  
7:00pm HV Heat vs. St. James 2\*

\*All games played at Pulaski Heights UMC

## BIG STORIES OF THE BIBLE SCHEDULE OF STUDIES

January 28: Moses & Pharaoh  
(10 Plagues)  
February 4: Super Bowl (No Class)  
February 11: Tobit (Apocrypha)  
February 18: Isaac & Ishmael  
(Christians, Jews &  
Muslims)  
February 25: Jacob & Esau  
March 4: Job  
March 11: Elijah and Elisha  
March 18: Spring Break (No Class)  
March 25: Enoch (Apocrypha)

# TUESDAY NOTES

- Information packets explaining the church's organization and committee functions were given to attendees at the **Committee Orientation** meeting Monday night. These packets are available in the church office for those who could not attend the meeting.
- Inclement Weather** - In case of inclement weather, the church office is closed if the Little Rock School District is closed and on the weekend, any decision to cancel activities will be posted on the local television stations.
- If you purchased a Highland Valley **nametag** or one of the "Money Matters" **books**, don't forget to submit your payment if you haven't already done so.

## HIGHLAND VALLEY UMC COMMITTEES FOR 2007

We look forward to an exciting new year in the Church. Our newly-formed committees and elected leadership are anxious to represent you and your ideas for the church's ministries. In an effort to keep the congregation informed of our leadership, below is a partial list of your church committees for 2007. We will list the remaining committees in a following newsletter.

### CHURCH COUNCIL

Chairperson:	Carla Coleman
Vice-Chairperson:	John Carter
Lay Leader:	Cliff Jones
Chairperson - Board of Trustees:	John Watkins
Chairperson - Staff Parish Relations Committee:	Jim Martindale
Chairperson - Committee on Finance:	Scott Welch
Treasurer:	Thurman Woodworth
Lay Member of Annual Conference:	Cliff Jones
Lay Member of Annual Conference:	Jewell Murphy
Lay Member of Annual Conference:	Kim Johnson
Chairperson - Stewardship Committee:	Brad Sweeney
Chairperson - Endowment Fund Committee:	Mike Stock
Chairperson - Child Ministry Center Council:	Elaine Jones
Chairperson - Missions & Ministries Committee:	Kathy Ainley
Chairperson - Education Committee:	Brenda Welch
Chairperson - Worship Committee:	Pamela Pike
Chairperson - Family Life Committee:	Linda Baer
Communications:	Kenny Clark

At Large Members (By Class Year):

#### Class of 2007

Jerril Green  
Shirley Gunnels  
Sheila McLarty

#### Class of 2008

Phillip Cohen  
Jim Otten  
Marci Warren

#### Class of 2009

Ryan Atkins  
Karen Cline  
Darren O'Quinn

Liaison - United Methodist Women:	Sheila Jennings
Liaison - United Methodist Men:	To Be Elected
Liaison - Youth Ministries:	Sam Clark
Pastor - Senior:	Kurt Boggan
Pastor - Associate:	Brock Patterson
Recording Secretary (Non-voting):	Beverly Graham

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Chairperson:	John Watkins	
Vice Chairperson:	Perry Bolding	
Secretary:	Jo Carter	
<b>Class of 2007</b>	<b>Class of 2008</b>	<b>Class of 2009</b>
Perry Bolding	Nancy Clark	Steve Acuff
Jo Carter	Kelly Davidson	Harry Fielder
Werner Schneider	John Watkins	Clark McCarley

### STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chairperson:	Jim Martindale	
Vice-Chairperson:	Marty Floyd	
Lay Leader:	Cliff Jones	
Lay Member to Annual Conference:	Jewell Murphy	
<b>Class of 2007</b>	<b>Class of 2008</b>	<b>Class of 2009</b>
Jim Martindale	Shawn Clark	Tommy Carlisle
Jay Smithson	Marty Floyd	Stewart Doan
Mary Ann Woodworth	Jewell Murphy	

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chairperson:	Scott Welch	
Vice-Chairperson:	Steve Murray	
Senior Pastor:	Kurt Boggan	
Associate Pastor:	Brock Patterson	
Lay Member of Annual Conference:	Cliff Jones	
Lay Leader:	Cliff Jones	
District Steward:	TBA	
Treasurer:	Thurman Woodworth	
Chairperson - Church Council:	Carla Coleman	
Chairperson - Staff Parish Relations Committee:	Jim Martindale	
Chairperson - Trustee Committee:	John Watkins	
Chairperson - Stewardship Committee:	Brad Sweeney	
Members:		
<b>Class of 2007</b>	<b>Class of 2008</b>	<b>Class of 2009</b>
Deborah Bolding	Ryan Atkins	Will Millard
Paul Dixon	David Barnett	Martha Perkins
Steve Murray	Scott Welch	Charlet Priest
Financial Manager (Non-voting):	Stacie Holloway	
Business Administrator (Non-voting):	Jim Kimzey	